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HORSES AT SEA.

They Can Smell Land Long Before It
Comes In Sight.

The ability of horses to smell land when far at sea is not generally known, but the equine must be credited with this acute sense.

When a well known horseman of Philadelphia went to Europe some time ago he took a blooded horse with him. The animal was in a specially prepared stall on deck and enjoyed the trip despite the rough weather. When the horseman thought land should soon be sighted, he asked the captain how far the ship was from the Irish coast. The commander of the steamer, in his usual gruff manner, replied: "Your horse will tell you. Watch him."

The owner of the animal could not understand what the captain meant, and he was not particularly pleased with the answer. Finally, however, and a couple of hours before land was observed, the horse, which was a magnificent bay, poked his head through the grating and, stretching his neck, whinnied loudly.

"There you are," said the captain to the horseman. "Your horse smells the land." The horse was like a different animal thereafter until the coast loomed up.

The captain in explaining the odd occurrence said that the thoroughbred detected the odor from pasture lands that was wafted far seaward and that horses on board ocean steamers always give the first signal when land is near. —Philadelphia Telegraph.

A POISON FACTORY.

The Stomach Is Always Busy Forming
Deadly Substances.

The body is a factory of poisons. In these poisons, which are constantly being produced in large quantities in the body, are imperfectly removed or are produced in too great quantity as the result of overfeeding, the fluids which surround the brain cells and all the living tissues are contaminated with poisonous substances which asphyxiate and paralyze the cells and so interfere with their activity. This fact explains in part at least the stupidity which is a common after dinner experience with many persons.

When food is retained in the stomach beyond the normal time, either because of its indigestibility, the taking of too large a quantity of it or a crippled state of the stomach, these changes are certain to take place. This fact explains a very large share of the myriad symptoms which afflict the chronic dyspeptic. The giddiness, the tingling sensations, the confusion of thought and even partial insensibility which are not infrequently observed a few hours after meals in chronic dyspepsia are due to this cause. Here is the explanation of the irascibility, the despondency, the pessimism, the indecision and various other forms of mental perversity and even moral depravity which are not infrequently associated with certain forms of gastro-intestinal disturbances. —London Family Doctor.

They Kept a Bible For Luck.
At Sycamore, Ill., a well known business firm makes it a practice to keep a Bible in the safe. The custom was commenced a long time ago, and the big steel box is never locked up unless it contains the book. It is found necessary to remove it occasionally, but it is always carefully replaced.

The men who adopted this queer practice when they commenced business years ago have little to say in explanation. In all their business life their safe or store has never been robbed or entered. They have had a continuous good business and are among the most successful business houses of the town. All of the members of the firm attend the churches of the town, but all are liberal in their religious views, and the prevailing belief in the town is that Holy Writ is kept in the safe principally for good luck. —Chicago Tribune.

Camel Back Riding.

Lord Kitchener of Khartum is credited with the best description of camel back riding that is known. The soldier gave this description at a dinner party in London which some Americans attended.

"When we asked Lord Kitchener," one of the Americans said, "to tell us what it felt like to ride a camel, he twisted his mustache and said: "You know the game of cup and ball? You have a ball and a cup, and you throw the ball in the air and try to catch it in the cup, then bounce it up and try to catch it again. Well, when you ride a camel the brute plays cup and ball with you, missing you nearly every time."

A Police Man.
A man was hurrying along a street one night when another man, also in violent haste, rushed out of an alley, and the two collided with great force. The second man looked mad, while the police man, taking off his hat, said: "My dear sir, I don't know which of us is to blame for this violent encounter, but I am in too great a hurry to investigate. If I ran into you I beg your pardon; if you ran into me don't mention it, and he tore away at redoubled speed.

All She Needed.
Paying Teller - I can't cash this check, madam, until you are identified. Mrs. Bright - You mean I have to identify myself? Paying Teller - Yes, madam. Mrs. Bright - How simple! Have you a looking glass? —Philadelphia Press.

A Sad Case.
"They are new people!"
"Patently new. They haven't even any old point lace which has been in the family for generations." —Puck.

Driven to Desperation.
Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in burns, cuts, wounds, ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth; 25c. at all druggists.

A DOUBLE RESURRECTION.

Each of the Generals Thought That
the Other Was Dead.

General Barlow of the Union army fell wounded and, it was thought, dying during the first day of the battle of Gettysburg and within the Confederate lines. General Gordon, cantering by, saw him and recognized him. Dismounting, he approached the prostrate man and inquired what he could do for him.

"I am dying," said Barlow. "Just reach into my coat pocket, draw out the letter you find there and read it to me. It is from my wife."

Gordon read the letter.

"Now, general," said Barlow, "please destroy that letter. I want you to notify her—she is in the town over yonder—what has happened to me."

"I will," replied Gordon.

He sent for Mrs. Barlow, giving her safe conduct through the southern lines, and then rode away, certain that Barlow's death was a question of only a few hours at most.

But Barlow did not die. His wife came promptly and had him removed to the town of Gettysburg, where she nursed him so faithfully that he recovered.

Many years passed until one night both generals were guests at a dinner in Washington. Some one brought them together and formally introduced them. Time had altered the personal appearance of both.

"Are you any relation to the General Barlow who was killed at Gettysburg?" asked Gordon.

"Yes; a very near relation," answered Barlow, with a laugh. "I am the very man who was killed. But I have been informed that a man named Gordon lost his life in battle later on."

"I am he," was the reply.

Both heroes laughed as they gave each other a heartier handshake. —Fittsburg Dispatch.

IF YOU ARE WELL BRED—

You will try to make others happy. You will not be shy or self conscious. You will never indulge in ill natured gossip.

You will never forget the respect due to age.

You will think of others before you think of yourself.

You will not swagger or boast of your achievements.

You will not measure your civility by people's bank accounts.

You will be scrupulous in your regard for the rights of others.

In conversation you will not be argumentative or contradictory.

You will not forget engagements, promises or obligations of any kind.

You will never make fun of the peculiarities or idiosyncrasies of others.

You will not bore people by constantly talking of yourself and your affairs.

You will never under any circumstances cause another pain if you can help it.

You will not think that "good intentions" compensate for rude or gruff manners. —Success.

Jewelry and Magic.

Finger rings, earrings, bracelets, brooches and other articles of personal adornment originated not from the aesthetic sense of our remote ancestors, but from their belief in magic. Even civilized men today sometimes entertain a superstitious regard for small stones and pebbles of peculiar shape or color and carry them about as charms.

The Greeks and Romans used stones, beads and crystals primarily as amulets to harness their magical power. The use of such stones as seals was secondary and may at first have been for sacred purposes only. When a primitive people first find gold they value it only for its supposed magic and wear nuggets of it strung with beads.

Derivations of Some Common Words.

One remembers how on the 15th of June, 1215, King John signed the great charter of the constitutional freedom of Britain and how after he had signed it he flung himself in a burst of fury on the floor and gnawed the straw and rushes with which the floor of those days were strewn. Now, what was "charter?" Originally nothing more or less than a sheet of papyrus strips glued together as writing paper. So it is to the Egyptian reed that we owe our "charters," "charts," "cards," "cartes" (blanche and de visite), our "cartoons" and our "cartridges." —London Chronicle.

Accurate.

"Sir," says the Boston reporter, "our office is informed that your purse was stolen from you last night. Is there anything in it?"

"Not by this time, doubtless," answers Mr. Emerson Waldo Beebecker, replying into an attitude of perturbed meditation. —Judge.

Advanced.

"You say that Lord Fucash's social position has improved since he married a rich American girl?"

"Yes, indeed. Formerly he was only a nobleman, but now he belongs to our aristocracy." —Exchange.

Particular.

"What sort of money will you have, Mrs. Mumm?" asked the cashier when that lady presented a large check for payment.

"Sterilized," replied Mrs. Mumm. —Life.

Winter.

Yeast—When we get real cold weather, they say we are getting a taste of winter. What is the taste of winter? Crispsness—Why, it's when it is bitter. —Yonkers Statesman.

That Throbbing Headache.

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by all druggists.

THE MARVELOUS MANGO.

In support of efforts to extend the cultivation of the mango in Porto Rico and Florida, G. N. Collins, one of the Government botanists, states that this fruit deserves to become as popular as the orange and banana, says the Saturday Evening Post.

Another expert, Geo. W. Oliver, agrees that the mango will undoubtedly grow in favor. "At present," said he, "it is suffering from a bad reputation, owing to the fact that the fruits that have been placed before the public in recent years have been grown mainly from seedling trees that are fit only to be used for stock or as windbreaks."

He says that the fruits of this tree thus far offered for sale are really wild or jungle mangoes; and that they bear the same relation to the scientifically cultivated mango that the crab-apple does to the Baldwin or Ben Davis variety.

The great importance of developing this fruit has been so thoroughly recognized by the government that it has had experts in India and other tropical lands searching for improved varieties. These have been shipped to America where, under glass, extensive experiments in propagation are under way.

It has been demonstrated that one mango tree will bear as high as 10,000 fruits. With 100 trees to the acre the yield at that rate would be 1,000,000 mangoes. An annual yield of 1,000,000 mangoes on a quarter-section of land shows the possibilities of this industry, when the fruit becomes popular.

Though the primary use of the mango is as a fresh fruit, it serves many other purposes where its virtues have been recognized. Canned, they are pronounced to be as good as peaches. In official experiments by the Botanical Department of Jamaica thirteen mangoes produced one pint of jelly and five quarts of marmalade. Mango forms one of the main ingredients of chutneys. The bruised and imperfect fruit may be profitably distilled into a fair grade of alcohol. Roasted and made into a sherbet it is taken in India to prevent sunstroke.

In India the mango, prepared in a variety of ways, is one of the staple articles of food. It is used in curries, made into pickles, custards, salads, and certain kinds of cakes. Even the kernels are used. Stuffed with coriander and other spices and boiled in mustard oil, they are regarded as a great delicacy.

Triumphs of Modern Surgery.

Wonderful things are done for the human body by surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are splined; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries they heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by all druggists.

FLORIDA'S GOLDEN CHANCES.

The Starke Telegraph, one of the best of Florida's many excellent newspapers, says: "Young men who cannot find employment about town should give farming a trial. Florida farming pays handsome dividends, and there is no excuse for any young man in Starke eking out a hand-to-mouth existence when prosperity is so easy of accomplishment. We know one young man who sold out a poor paying mercantile business ten years ago and returned to the farm. He had practically nothing at the time, but he is worth \$15,000 to \$20,000 now. This change in circumstances was wrought on a Bradford county farm. If this young man succeeded, others can succeed by turning their attention to agricultural pursuits, and instead of being classed as loafers they will take rank as useful citizens of the community."

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For liver, kidney, stomach and bowel trouble Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 5c. It's guaranteed by all druggists.

The Hastings Farmer and Truckee will, on July 1, issue a special edition of 20,000 copies for distribution at the World's Fair. Such enterprise is commendable to say the least.

A LESSON FOR GIRLS.

A father talking to his careless daughter said: "I want to speak to you of your mother. It may be that you have noticed a careworn look upon her face lately. Of course it has not been brought there by any action of yours, still it is your duty to chase it away. I want you to get up tomorrow morning and get the breakfast and when your mother comes and begins to express her surprise go right up to her and kiss her. You can't imagine how it will brighten her dear face. Besides you owe her a kiss or two. Away back when you were a little girl she kissed you when no one else was tempted by your fever tainted breath and swollen face. You were not as attractive then as you are now. And through those years of childish sunshine and shadow she was always ready to cure by the magic of a mother's kiss the little dirty, chubby hands when ever they were injured in those first skirmishes with the rough world. And then the midnight kiss with which she soothed so many bad dreams as she leaned over your restless pillow have been on interest these long, long years. Of course she is not so pretty and kissable as you are, but if you had done your share of work during the last ten years the contrast would not be so marked. Her face has more wrinkles than yours, far more, and yet if you were sick that face would appear more beautiful than an angel's as it hovered over you, watching every opportunity to minister to your comfort, and every one of these wrinkles would seem to be bright wavelets of sunshine chasing each other over the dear face. She will leave you one of these days. These burdens, if not lifted from her shoulders, will break her down. Those rough, hard hands that have done so many necessary things for you will be crossed upon her lifeless breast. Those neglected lips that gave you your first baby kiss will be forever closed and those sad tired eyes will have opened in eternity and then you will appreciate your mother; but it will be too late."

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Monticello, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottle free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

During the season just closed the strawberry crop of Bradford county sold for over \$100,000, which was distributed among all classes. About \$14,000 was paid out to women and children for picking and packing the berries, besides the wages paid to men for doing the heavier work. At the little town of Hastings in St. Johns county, the Irish potato crop will bring into that community upwards of \$500,000. This should be an object lesson to the people of Baker county, for such results could be obtained here if attention was turned to the cultivation of such things. —Macclenny Standard.

Sued By His Doctor.

"A doctor here has sued me for \$125.00, which I claimed was excessive for a case of cholera morbus," says B. White, of Coacalla, Cal. "At the trial he praised his medical skill and medicine. I asked him if it was not Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy he used, as I had good reason to believe it was, and he would not say under oath that it was not." No doctor could use a better remedy than this in a case of cholera morbus; it never fails. Sold by all druggists.

MONEY IN THE BUSINESS.

The truckers of Florida shipped out of the State the past season a very large crop, and it must have brought an immense amount of money into the State. The trucking business in Florida is growing fast and many of our people are making money from the business. Ten years ago very few vegetables were shipped out of the State to Northern markets; today thousands of cars are shipped out every winter and spring. The lettuce, celery, bean, tomato crops are the great paying ones, though the egg plant, cucumber, peppers, etc., are shipped out of the State in large quantities. —DeLand Record.

Thrown From a Wagon.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by all druggists.

LESSONS FROM THE FIRST PRIMARY.

Palatka Times Herald:—Mr. Mays did less advertising than any other gubernatorial candidate and received fewer votes. To give the moral would be entirely superfluous.

Advertising that matchless record is what came near landing Mr. Tallaferra a first primary winner. Who will now say that printers' ink does not pay?

Mr. Broward was fortunate in having W. J. Bryan, an aggressive politician of Jacksonville, and Guy Metcalf, to manage his campaign. They advertised liberally, spread circular matter, maps and pictures in every precinct of the State, and in this wise succeeded in making their man the most talked of candidate in the race. The result was a victory for them. It is believed that similar tactics will be pursued again, but it is doubtful if the outcome will be the same.

THE COUNCIL'S DUTIES.

EDITOR HERALD:—There seems to be a general idea in this town that the council is the one body responsible for all the sins of omission and commission pertaining to the ordinances of the town. The truth is, the mayor is the executive officer, and by his oath of office solemnly swears to faithfully see to the enforcement of all ordinances. Any person with good evidence of the mayor's failure to perform his duty, bringing it before the council, would compel that body to bring impeachment proceedings and settle once for all that complaint. The council cannot act on individual complaint, unbacked by evidence, and therefore should not be blamed. Any ordinance that is not for the welfare of all can be amended or repealed.

AN ALDERMAN.

Gainesville Sun:—Alachua county has been what is termed a "dry county" for nearly twelve months, and as yet none of the dire calamities that were predicted would overtake us have occurred. True, some of the business men of Gainesville complain of it being unusually dull in their line since last June, but others claim business has materially improved, while both banks report larger deposits than ever before, and the sheriff and police report a great falling off in business in the criminal line. Much liquor is still consumed in the county, being shipped to various points by express, but as a whole we believe the condition of affairs in Alachua county are much better today than one year ago.

FLORIDA FISHERIES.

The fishing industries in Florida amount to a very substantial sum annually. A bulletin for the Gulf States for the year 1903 has just been issued by the United States Bureau of Fisheries. It places Florida in the lead, the total value for this State being \$1,402,166. Louisiana comes second with \$858,314. The most important items mentioned in Florida are sponges, \$774,422; mullet, \$327,123; red snappers, \$217,428; oysters, \$124,108; salted mullet, \$77,000; salted mullet roe, \$6,270.

In view of the complaints of Judge Parker's silence, the question naturally arises, what is he expected to say? He is a democrat and has always supported the democratic ticket. For him to say more now would put himself in the position of bidding for a job. Is that dignified and appropriate for a man who is being considered